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City, Healthcare Providers Work to Help Most Vulnerable Communities During Coronavirus Crisis

BY ANDY HART

As America struggles its way through the Coronavirus Pandemic, a highly disturbing trend has emerged: communities of color are contracting the disease – and dying from it – at significantly higher rates than the general population.

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), “The effects of COVID-19 on the health of racial and ethnic minority groups is still emerging; however, current data suggest a disproportionate burden of illness and death among racial and ethnic minority groups.”

Local statistics (see box) appear to bear this out. Hartford and surrounding towns with

residents.”

At this point, most testing sites are drive through, although many city residents do not have access to a car. To remedy this, any Hartford resident with an appointment to get tested for Coronavirus but without a car, can call Hartford’s 311 at 860-757-9311 and the City of Hartford will arrange for transportation to take them to and from their testing site.

Testing for the Coronavirus currently requires an order from your doctor, although many city residents do not have a regular doctor or cannot afford health insurance. To ease this problem, testing orders written by medical staff at Hartford’s federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) will be accepted at

Coronavirus Crisis in Greater Hartford

TOWN	Confirmed Cases	Case Rate per 100,000 people	Deaths
HARTFORD	943	769	79
Bloomfield	247	1,160	46
East Hartford	423	846	53
West Hartford	285	453	48
Wethersfield	137	525	5
Windsor	285	991	73

Source: State of Connecticut Department of Public Health. Updated Tuesday, April 28.

high minority populations have higher infection rates and more deaths due to the Coronavirus. The reasons for this are still under examination. But the effects of poverty, which afflicts minorities in the United States at a higher rate than the general population, almost certainly plays a role. More minorities work service jobs, for instance, which cannot be performed from home.

On Friday, April 24, the City of Hartford announced several initiatives to better assist Hartford’s minority communities in coping with the Coronavirus Pandemic. To accomplish these initiatives, the city is partnering with several institutions, including Hartford HealthCare, Trinity Health Of New England, the University of Connecticut’s School of Medicine, United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut, and CT Area Health Education Center (CT AHEC), as well as the city’s federally qualified health centers.

“One devastating reality of the Coronavirus is that communities of color have been hardest hit, both in terms of health outcomes and economic impact,” said Mayor Luke Bronin. “Right now, we need to do everything we can to slow the spread of Coronavirus in our community, dramatically expand access to testing, and continue to raise awareness and understanding. We are launching these outreach initiatives to reach as many members of our community in the most effective, culturally conscious ways possible. We are also providing free transportation to testing sites, to remove the transportation barrier for Hartford

the Hartford Hospital testing site, which increased its testing capacity by 500 percent this week.

Hartford’s FQHCs include: **Inter-Community Healthcare** (16 Coventry Street, 860-569-5900; www.intercommunityct.org); **Community Health Services** (500 Albany Avenue, 860.249.9625, www.chshartford.org); **Wheeler Health & Wellness Center** (43 Woodland Street, 860.584.6555, www.wheelerclinic.org); **Charter Oak Health Center** (21 Grand Street, 860.550.7500, www.thecharteroak.org); **Charter Oak – Satellite Office** (401 New Britain Avenue, 860.550.7500, www.thecharteroak.org); and **Burgdorf Health Center** (131 Coventry St., 860.714.2813, stfrancis-care.org/the-burgdorf-bank-of-america-health-center). Please call ahead to set up an appointment.

In addition, the City of Hartford Health and Human Services Department will partner with medical students from the UCONN School of Medicine to reach out to households with people who have confirmed or unconfirmed cases of the Coronavirus. The goal of this program is to educate residents on the best methods for limiting the spread of the virus, how to best isolate those stricken with the virus and how to access health resources.

The City of Hartford will also launch a public information campaign in partnership with Trinity Health Of New England,

For Official Information on the Coronavirus go to:
portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus or
Coronavirus.Hartford.gov



Organizations Team Up to Help City Families

On Monday morning, April 27, several community groups based in North Hartford formed a convoy to deliver food and information about the Coronavirus to local families. The Community Safety Coalition includes Mothers United Against Violence (MUAUV), COMPASS Peace Builders, Hartford Communities That Care (HCTC), Blue Hills Civic Association (BHCA) and YMCA of Greater Hartford. Before the convoy set out from 2550 Main Street in Hartford’s North End, Rev. Henry Brown (left), Director of MUAUV, offered up a prayer for the safety of those participating. (Hart photo)

Hartford...Once Upon a Time



Today, it’s hard to imagine Downtown Hartford without I-84 going through it, but that’s exactly what this remarkable aerial photo shows. The view is looking southeast from high above Trumbull Street; the time is the late 1950s. The curved white lines show the proposed route of the highway. Ann Uccello Street cuts across the photo in the foreground. While many of the buildings in the photo have been demolished, several are still standing. At extreme left is Saint Patrick-Saint Anthony Church. In the middle distance, just right of center, is the old post office on High Street with the Governor’s Foot Guard Hall to its right. Union Station is a little further back at left center. In the upper left corner is the State Armory. The white circle and the area to its left were occupied by the old Hartford Public High School on Hopkins Street. Both the school and the street were removed to make way for the highway. At top right is the Asylum Hill neighborhood with (Photo courtesy of the Hartford History Center at the Hartford Public Library)

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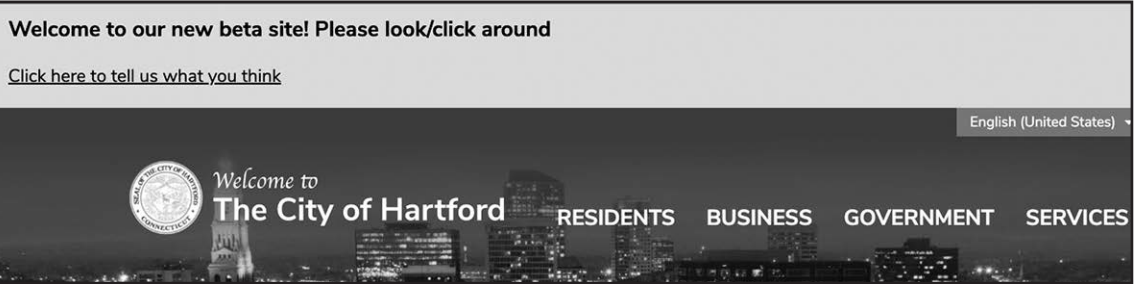


End of the Road for These Illegal Dirtbikes and ATVs

On Tuesday, April 28, the City of Hartford and the Hartford Police Department (HPD) publicly destroyed 31 all terrain vehicles (ATVs) and dirt bikes at Corona’s Auto Parts on Wethersfield Avenue in Hartford’s South End. Pat Corona is shown above at right center watching “Ziggy” Woznica scoop up several dirt bikes prior to placing them in an the facility’s metal crusher (left, rear). Mayor Luke Bronin said the destruction of the vehicles was intended to demonstrate that Hartford Police have stepped up enforcement of the City of Hartford ordinance which forbids the operation of motorized recreational vehicles (which includes ATVs and dirt bikes) on Hartford streets. HPD has seized over 30 dirt bikes and ATVs over the past month. HPD returns stolen vehicles to their owners. The vehicles destroyed Tuesday had been seized earlier and many had their VIN numbers removed. HPD determined that it would not be “cost effective or appropriate” to auction off the vehicles and received approval from the court system to destroy them. Bronin said that in talking with city residents, the large groups of people riding ATVs and dirt bikes on city streets was mentioned as the number one quality of life complaint and has been for many years. “But this is more than a quality of life issue — it’s a public safety issue. These vehicles are dangerous, and we’re not going to tolerate them on our streets or in our parks,” he added. (Hart photo)

DIGITAL TEST DRIVE

The city invites public feedback on its new—and improved?—website
BY DONNA SWARR



How many times has the City of Hartford upgraded its website? I know there have been two or three attempts since 2007, but they didn’t finish it the last time. That was more than four years ago and they just stopped mid-stream. Since then, there have been times when links to pages were removed; the only way to find them was to use Google. The staff directory wasn’t maintained, and then it was removed. Department pages started including only one phone number for an entire department. So many of us have been chronically frustrated. Hartford 311 became the conduit for questions, not just problems, which is really confusing. Lo

and behold! It appears that the website has finally been remodeled. You have been invited to participate in a usability test. A good website design attempts to make the website learnable, memorable, efficient, and satisfy the information needs and reduce errors. But before you dive in, I suggest organizing your thoughts. Consider making a list of what you have looked for in the past. Keep a pencil and paper by your side to make quick notes, where you got stuck, too many clicks, not listed in any of the drop downs, can’t see all of the options , or that you still couldn’t find “it”. This is a test, and what the teacher/website designer needs is

feedback that includes information about the user’s experience: Were you able to find the information you need, can you remember how to repeat the task, did it guide or teach you how to find new information, did it take more than three clicks, and did you get to a dead end? There is a survey on the “new” homepage. Take to the time to give feedback. If the design of the webpage isn’t the problem, they’ll let the department know what information was being sought and, hopefully, the department will find a way to add it to their page. To check it out, go to: <https://beta.hartfordct.gov/Home>. Happy searching!

Letter to the Editor

COVID-19 and Gun Violence Are Disproportionately Impacting Communities of Color, What Are We Going to Do About It?

As a concerned community advocate in the North End of Hartford, I continue to see how Black and Brown residents continue to be disproportionately impacted by public health threats such as COVID-19 and gun violence. Whenever there is an opportunity to set in motion the ability to help rewind the clock and to identify ways to really support the community as it relates specifically to health and economic equity and gun violence prevention efforts to further prevent the deterioration of the Black and Brown communities, there is always some pushback. Both COVID-19 and gun violence are having far more devastating impacts on our communities with COVID-19 presenting itself as a TRIPLE THREAT to our community as it further endangers the stability of our virtually nonexistent, health and educational base for the residents in our community. Historically, the Black and Brown community has been ignored and rejected at so many different levels. Our for-profit health care system clearly leaves low-income people of color underserved and exacerbates existing inequities in our society. COVID 19 WILL FURTHER DEEPEN THIS DIVISION. Black and brown people will continue to struggle to get access to quality health care and doing what they need to do to simply survive and not become another statistic. As we have seen with the disproportionate loss of life of black and brown expectant mothers due to a lack of attention,

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care during and after the birthing process, some of this is blatant racism as people are allowed to turn their backs on women of color, no matter what their status is in life. The numbers are staggering in Connecticut, we do not want to see a similar lack of care and access as they have noted across the country where an enormous amount of folks of color are dying as a result of COVID-19. I also acknowledge that the lack of access to adequate health care by people of color has plagued our country for a long time and it is not a new phenomenon along with the fact that most folks of color due to this very reason have a tremendous amount of pre-existing conditions. COVID 19 will only exacerbate the lack of access to health care, mental stability and economically disadvantaged folks. This coupled with the impact of crime and lack of employment/education in our community arising out of the “forgotten cities” is just as important. Recognizing the existing inequities and the issues of the community have often been ignored and thus the layers have been allowed to grow and develop which further increase the severity of our community issues. COVID-19 will take the veil off of what currently exists and lay bare our community’s systemic disenfranchisement and the lack of vital resources that most people take for granted. Folks continue to make every excuse of how residents raising their voices about the injustices and inequities should be ignored. But the time is now and we need to continue the movement. Gun violence happens at workplaces, schools, synagogues and churches. The time is now to keep the movement alive as if our mass shootings and our day to day shootings have to end and we will no longer tolerate accepting this as a new norm for our communities or for our country. The movement should be heightened to help elevate the work which should be accomplished. Recent efforts to pass a tax on ammunition has been met with loud opposition from gun rights organizations. But when and how are our communities going to get the resources we need to combat gun violence in our urban communities? Surely everyone believes in safe communities, free of gun violence.

There is always a struggle to offer a reality check for some who believe that specific groups of people should be content and settle for where they are at in life and should be satisfied with the bare minimum. No longer should we have to settle for what we are given, we are in precarious times and now is the time for folks to begin to seize this moment to help bring their communities out of despair both economically, mentally and physically.

Deborah Davis, Mothers United Against Violence

The Hartford News welcomes letters to the editor. Those dealing with issues directly related to Hartford are given preference. Email your letter to hartfordnews@aol.com or mail to Hartford News, 563 Franklin Avenue, Hartford, CT 06114. Please include your phone number.

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The Little Engine That Could...and Did

Hartford News online celebrates its first birthday!

COMMENTARY BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

It was a long time coming. This newspaper that's been covering the city of Hartford since 1977 enjoyed great popularity for 42 years, as devoted readers picked up a copy every week at the dozens of outlets in and around the capital city where it's distributed. But on May 2nd 2019, the banner at the top of the page announced "Hartford News Online Arrives!" And what an arrival! The online edition is in glorious full color with easy-to-read type, and can be accessed two ways: On Facebook at Hartford News-Southside Media; or on our website, HartfordPublications.com. Print copies are available, as always, at the usual locations (save for those that are closed during the pandemic).

Many longtime readers have noted and shared appreciative comments about how we've "upped our game" during the past couple of years. The Hartford News has always taken pride in featuring content about all the city's neighborhoods, keeping readers informed about upcoming events, and highlighting and recapping city happenings, places, and people with marvelous photographs and descriptive text. Now we have added more news stories, commentaries, opinion pieces, interviews, and letters to the editor, and have encouraged the Hartford community to add their voices and thoughts to those stories. It has confirmed my belief that our readers want a news outlet that reflects their experiences and respects their opinions. Our readership is up (as is our credibility as an essential and comprehensive source of information) and we owe it to your support and enthusiasm for what we do.

Daily newspapers are going through some hard times. The syndicates that own them have slashed jobs in all areas of their operations in order to reduce their budgets. Advertising and subscription revenues are at an all-time low. Weekly papers such as the Hartford News are free papers, and rely solely on advertising dollars to pay expenses. In my years as a reporter-editor at the Hartford Advocate that was never a problem; we were jam-packed with display and classified ads every week. But with so many business closures, we also feel the effect of diminishing returns. In these tough times, community newspapers should be considered essential to the public welfare as a source of valuable information, and should be eligible for small-business loans, whether city, state, or federal. If you agree, please consider sending a message of support to your elected officials in those three areas of government.

We are dedicated to keeping this newspaper going in all its formats for you, the readers. From Publishers Jon Harden and Lynne Lumsden, who pay the bills and the staff; Managing Editor Andy Hart, whose skills as writer, photographer, graphic designer, and just about everything else make him the "heart" of this paper; Advertising Manager Josephine Finocchiaro, who also keeps the front office running smoothly; Columnists Mike McGarry, writing about city gardens, cleanup efforts, and tourism, as well as spearheading the special editions and community magazines we produce, and David Samuels with informative writing on race

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Westbrook Village Renamed Village at Park River as Phase I of its Reconstruction Nears Completion

On Tuesday, April 28, the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford (HACH), Pennrose, LLC, and The Cloud Company, LLC announced that the Westbrook Village Revitalization will be named Village at Park River when the new community opens this summer. The name reflects the community's proximity to the Park River.

Phase I of Village at Park River will include 75 new units, 80 percent of which will be set aside for households with incomes up to 60 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI). The remaining 20 percent will be rented at market rate. The second phase that is already under construction will include an additional 60 units, 75 percent of which will be set aside for households with incomes up to 60 percent of the AMI; 25% will be rented at market rate.

"This project has always been about more than replacing outdated affordable housing," said Annette Sanderson, executive director of the Housing Authority of the City of Hartford. "It's been about creating a vibrant new community where residents can live, shop and do business. This new name celebrates that rebirth and new sense of place."

A mixed-use commercial component of the revitalization is planned for an approximately 10-acre section at the southern edge of the 40-acre site bordering Albany Avenue. Commercial tenants envisioned for that portion of the project include a pharmacy, restaurant, retail stores and an office and/or programmatic academic space for the University of Hartford. Additional space is earmarked for office and/or residential use. JDA Development Co is a partner in the development of the commercial space.



"Pennrose is proud to be involved in this partnership that will transform outdated housing," said Charlie Adams, regional vice president for Pennrose. "We look forward to this summer when we will welcome the first residents to their new homes in a newly revitalized community."

"We are excited to be a part of the development team that is transforming the place where I grew up, Westbrook Village," said Sanford Cloud, chairman & CEO of The

Cloud Company. "This new gateway community will enhance the area with over 400 mixed income housing units and a vibrant retail/commercial center, including a new name—Village at Park River."

In addition to the new community name, the development team is in the process of naming two of the roads to honor those who played important roles in the history of the property. For more information, visit www.VillageatParkRiver.com.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Donald C. Bush (20-00159)

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated March 12, 2020, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

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ASYLUM HILL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

From the
Executive Director
BY DAVID MACDONALD

The Asylum Hill Neighborhood Association's mission is to empower and connect residents and stakeholders to improve the quality of life in our neighborhood. We continue to navigate the uncharted waters of the COVID-19 pandemic. Amidst all this uncertainty, however, we know we need to learn how to do things in a new way, our "new normal." This means that our next general meeting will be done via video/teleconference. If you receive our newsletter via email then you will receive an email detailing how you can join our virtual general meeting. If someone needs to receive information about how to join our meeting on May 4th at 6pm, please email me at exdir@asylumhill.org to join our email list.

At AHNA, we have made program adjustments to offer virtual online solutions for our current Committee meetings and new upcoming project meetings. Given that the Stay at Home order is still in place we will hold our May General Meeting via video/teleconference. We will also post information on our Facebook page at Asylum Hill Neighborhood Association with information on how to join our virtual meetings and for updates about upcoming project and committee meetings. Those details and updates will be shared in the days to come, but be assured that our primary concern at this moment is for the health and well-being of our residents and those in our community feeling most vulnerable right now.

Hartford is home to committed community leaders, passionate non-profits, and generous business partners. There are many people in Hartford who don't have access to the federal relief programs, so the people of Hartford have stepped up to help those in need. We have witnessed many volunteers stepping forward to help those in our city who are struggling to adapt to our new reality. We know we will work together to meet this crisis with compassion, confidence and creativity.

AHNA staff is working remotely to help keep everyone safe. We will respond to your inquiries and needs as soon as possible, so continue to reach out to us in the days, weeks, and months ahead. Above all, stay safe and help care for others whenever and wherever you can.

The Book of Steamships by Peter Sparre

It was just over six years ago that Peter Sparre was featured in a column in the Asylum Hill News & Views. In part it describes his desire to publish a book of his scale drawings of the steamships that traveled the Atlantic Ocean from the late 19th Century until their demise after the Second World War. It all began when, as a very young child, his parents took him to their native Sweden on the S.S. Drottningholm. At the time of our article, Peter had completed more than 175 scale drawings of all the commercial steamers in the Atlantic fleet, including an imaginary one of his own design. It was a dream of his then, and had continued to be, to create this "coffee table" book of his drawings. When I asked him recently when he began this project, he replied, "it began October 16th 1960, and the final work was done on October 20th, 2017".

If you ask him, he can also tell you how many hours he spent completing each drawing, and that would not include the thousands of hours spent researching details and specifications without the assistance of a computer or the Internet. All of that research is still preserved in the many file cabinets in his apartment. All of it was to ensure that these drawings are as accurate as humanly possible. So you can imagine his joy and happiness when on April 11th, he stopped by to show me the finished product, *A Tribute to the RMS Queen Mary Transatlantic Steamers of the Late 19th and Early 20th Century*. By Peter W. Sparre

For anyone to have a career that spans a half-century is amazing enough, but to have had to wait 57 years to finally hold the fruit of that labor is almost unimaginable. What are really unimaginable are the obstacles he had to overcome to realize this lifelong goal. That would be a much longer book, and would have to include all those along the way whose kindness and compassion made it possible. For photos of some of the drawings and text, go to <https://photos.app.goo.gl/PsC8euyVfy88BLhN7>

EXPLORING ASYLUM HILL

Nature on the Hill

While nearly all of our attention this month and much of last has been taken up with trying to live without being together, the natural world outside our doors has continued as always without so much as a ripple. In fact if anything, given the plentiful rainfall and sunshine, it seems to be doing as well as ever.

I went out to explore the neighborhood first on April 7th and at the time the magnolias were beginning to bloom. It was great to drive around to see how many there are in the neighborhood.

A beautiful pair in front of the old Capital Community College, several near the corner of Ashley and May, but my favorite is always the one at 784 Asylum Ave at the corner of Sumner St. It seems to be photogenic all year round, and especially in full bloom.

The forsythia seem to have lasted especially long this year as well, and tulips are up especially on Ashley St.

One could hardly do a natural tour of our neighborhood without taking in our western border with the West End.

The Park river area is likely the largest area of green space in



Asylum Hill. This time of year and this year have provided lots of water to keep the river flowing, and the vegetation nearby very healthy.

There are still a few reminders of a careless population in the form of trash that's been trapped by fallen logs, but most of it still looks like a State Park forest in miniature.

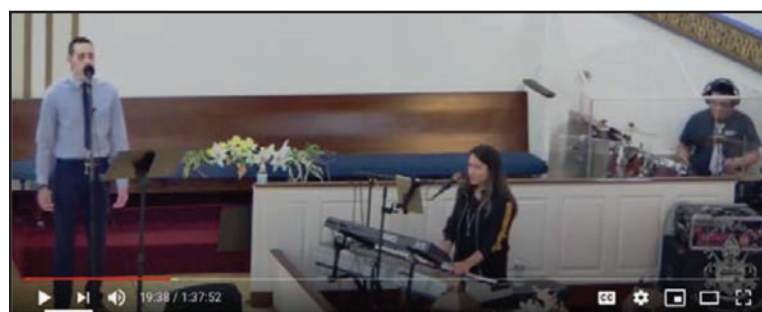
It's hard to talk about all the natural beauty in Asylum Hill without remembering the 5 acres on our southern border still vacant, overgrown and full of trash. Nature there is trying, but getting little assistance from the human population.

If you should choose to walk the perimeter of that parcel, you will no doubt be seeing the largest site of illegal dumping in Hartford. Given the present circumstances the best we can do is ruminate and maybe plan. There ought to be some variety of climbing vine with blossoms that could be planted in the fencing that could at a minimum improve its appearance, and maybe even remediate some of the soil. We owe it to Mother Nature to help out where we can. Send your ideas to staffadmin@asylumhill.org.

EASTER AND BEYOND IN A TIME OF SHELTERING IN PLACE

There are many practices that we have all come to rely on that are no longer allowed in this time of COVID 19, but few as emotionally charged as the regular celebration of community worship. This is especially true for the Christian celebration of Easter as well as the Jewish celebration of Passover and the Muslim celebration of Ramadan, all of which come in April this year. In each of these, the coming together and sharing in person of these customs is filled with tradition and identity. So it should come as no surprise that at a minimum, the seven larger Christian communities here in Asylum Hill had little time to prepare for this new reality. It's very revealing and somewhat comforting to see how each rose to the challenge.

The largest of these is the Cathedral of Saint Joseph, and they are likely the best positioned to make the transition to worship via broadcast. They have been airing



daily and Sunday masses through their Office of Radio & Television for many years.

Asylum Hill Congregational Church likewise has offered participation to members who could not attend by placing cameras to broadcast a view of the sanctuary and feel as though they were almost there. In this case though, the service itself had to be changed since only a very few could be present during the recording of the event. While the choir couldn't be present, several of the soloists were brought in, and social distancing was maintained.

Immanuel Congregational Church, Grace Lutheran and

Riverfront Family Church all used Zoom, and all recorded from home, while Trinity and Glory Chapel opted for a YouTube presence and recorded from their sanctuaries.

All in all, each community made a valiant effort to provide what they could of a religious experience. In the end, I think this will leave most members with a deeper appreciation of what they had a few months ago, and some sense of what it feels like to be a shut-in.

Many of the Easter services have been saved and are available on their YouTube channels, which can be found on their respective websites.

This special Asylum Hill section is sponsored by the Northside Institutions Neighborhood Alliance (NINA)

VOLUNTEERS OF THE MONTH

Grace Friday Night 2.0



Grace Lutheran Church began feeding neighbors in need more than nine years ago, and up until March, the protocol was always the same. A rotating group of volunteers would arrive at about noon and begin going through the fresh food that had been secured the day before from Foodshare and arrive at the menu. They then prepared enough for at least 150 or more people so that after everyone had their fill, there would be leftovers for those who needed it to take home. Other churches from surrounding communities would often volunteer to prepare something ahead and bring it along when they came to help serve. It's been one of the most social free dinners in Hartford because people would gather beginning at 4:30 and just share company until 6:00 when the food was served.

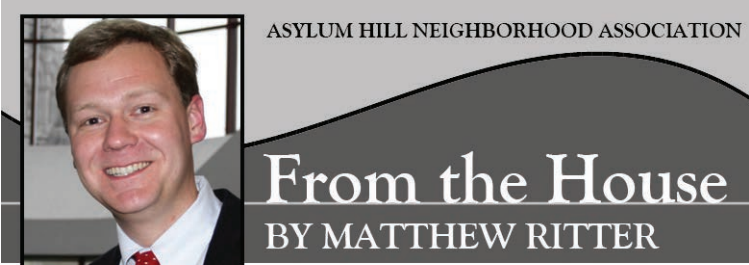
So when the Governor's order was announced, they had to make some quick changes. They determined that they could still figure out how to prepare the hot meals, and disposable containers and utensils had to substitute for the church's stoneware china and

stainless forks and spoons. The part that was non-negotiable was the compassionate caring for this very regular community. Protective masks, both for the staff and the clients became a most important addition. Styrofoam food containers are still readily available, so until they can gather

and share the food in common it will continue as the container of choice, but disposable masks are still in short supply. Louisa Barton Duguay, Akeva Koulla and volunteers from St. Matthews in Avon, who have been a steady partner since the social distancing order began, have been sewing cloth masks that can last much longer.

What still cannot be replaced is of course the camaraderie, but as Joni Mitchell once said, "you don't know what you've got 'til it's gone". I think we'll remember for quite a while once we get it back.

More photos of the Grace Friday night are at <https://photos.app.goo.gl/FtZcmMqhYLiAbH3w7>



Increasing Hartford's COVID-19 Testing Capacity

The key to restarting our economy and protecting our community is increasing access to COVID-19 testing. The stronger our testing capacity, the better our position. Governor Ned Lamont announced a new partnership between the state, Quest Diagnostics and Hartford HealthCare to increase testing in the state to add an additional 2,000 tests per day - including additional testing capacity in Hartford.

"Across Hartford HealthCare, we have been diligently working to enhance access for our community members, while we contain the virus and protect our communities. I am proud to announce a significant improvement regarding testing and access. Together with our long-standing outpatient laboratory partner, Quest Diagnostics, we will enhance and build testing capacity. This allows us to do even more to contain the spread of the virus and take care of our communities."

- Hartford HealthCare President and CEO Jeffrey Flaks

Hartford HealthCare plans to increase capacity at existing testing locations in Hartford, Norwich, Torrington, Bridgeport, and New Britain, and is actively investigating new ways to bring testing to traditionally underserved communities.

Working closely with Governor Lamont, Mayor Luke Bronin and the Hartford Legislative Delegation, we have been actively pursuing opportunities to increase Hartford's testing capacity - This announcement is a big step forward and we are continuing to pursue a rapid testing site.

Rental Assistance

At the urging of the Hartford Delegation, Governor Lamont issued Executive Order 7X to provide some relief to renters. Under the order:

- Eviction proceedings are on hold
- There is a grace period on rent that can be extended
- Security deposits of more than one month's rent can be used as rent

Information is constantly evolving, for the most up to date info on coronavirus visit the state's COVID-19 hub at ct.gov/coronavirus.

Please contact me at Matthew.Ritter@cga.ct.gov, or by phone at (860) 240-8489, if you have any questions or concerns.

Asylum Hill: Then & Now – Saint Francis Hospital



Very often the Then & Now comparison includes a nostalgic view of what was lost, and it's hard to deny that despite what we still have, we have lost some beautiful architecture. So it seems fitting now to feature a few of the changes of the past century that we are grateful for. This month we'll appropriately enough look at the newest addition to the Saint Francis Hospital campus. While the picture at left is not the same spot as the Lighthouse Surgery Center, its location at 131 Woodland was then the Henry Robinson home, and all of the western side of Woodland was private homes. Next-door at 125, was the home of the Reverend Joseph Twitchell, the first pastor of Asylum Hill Congregational Church. The Postcard image is from The Richard Mahoney Collection of the Hartford History Center of the Hartford Public Library





Support Your Asylum Hill Businesses!

Like businesses across the country, most restaurants and shops in Asylum Hill are struggling to survive through the current Coronavirus crisis. To assist them, we are listing businesses still open in the neighborhood, as well as thos that had to close temporarily. Please support them as much as you are able.

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Hartford News Online Birthday

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issues, employment, and civil liberties; Contributing Writers Donna Swarr, keeping us informed about city parks and recreation, DPW, and

using her incredible talents to produce valuable charts, data, and other graphics that explain what’s going on in the city, and her husband Tom Swarr who writes insightful pieces on the environment as well as city



Some of the Hartford News staff

politics and elections; Spanish Editor Wilfredo Ayala with stories and photos aimed at Hartford’s Latino community; Robert Molden, who has skillfully handled the majority of our distribution for many years; the freelance writers who provide thoughtful content and interesting articles; and Staff Writer-Copy Editor yours truly, who can usually be counted on to rattle some cages and occasionally sing some praises. Office Cat Ritchie doesn’t do a hell of a lot, other than sleep, eat, and repeat as necessary, but he does keep us grounded in his own special way. Yes, from all of us, our sincere thanks to you—our motivation and our inspiration—who give us the determination to continue bringing you all things Hartford for years to come.

Coronavirus Crisis

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Hartford HealthCare, and the United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut. The goal of the campaign will be to better educate all city residents on the vital importance of social distancing, masks, and hand hygiene. There will also be information on how to minimize the spread of the Coronavirus in multi-generational and large- or multi-family housing situations as well as guidance about when and how to access health services. The bilingual campaign will include getting these messages out through local media channels, faith and other community leaders, distributing information to service providers, and other avenues.

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Adella W. Swaby
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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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Karen Small-Rodgers
(20-00273)**

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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Richard John Krausz
(20-00246)**

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Francesca Knerr, Esq.,
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El Informativo Latino

La ciudad de Hartford lanza iniciativas para combatir la expansión del coronavirus

La Ciudad de Hartford anunció importantes iniciativas diseñadas para eliminar las barreras en las pruebas para los residentes de Hartford, reducir la transmisión del virus dentro de la comunidad de Hartford y aumentar la conciencia y la comprensión de la desproporción del coronavirus en comunidades de color. Las iniciativas incluyen asociaciones con Hartford HealthCare, Trinity Health de Nueva Inglaterra, la Facultad de Medicina de la Universidad de Connecticut, United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut, y el Centro de Educación de Salud del Área de CT (CT AHEC), así como Centros de Salud Calificados Federalmente.

“Una realidad devastadora del coronavirus es que las comunidades de color han sido las más afectadas, tanto en términos de resultados de salud como de impacto económico”, dijo el Alcalde Luke Bronin. “En este momento, debemos hacer todo lo posible para frenar la propagación del coronavirus en nuestra comunidad, expandir drásticamente el

acceso a las pruebas y continuar creando conciencia y comprensión. Estamos lanzando estas iniciativas de divulgación para llegar a tantos miembros de nuestra comunidad de la manera más efectiva y culturalmente posible. También proporcionamos transporte gratuito a los sitios de prueba, para eliminar la barrera de transporte para los residentes de Hartford

Transporte gratuito para pruebas de citas

Debido a que aproximadamente el 40% de los residentes de Hartford carecen de acceso a un vehículo, la falta de transporte es una barrera para hacerse la prueba del coronavirus, a pesar de que algunos sitios de prueba de tránsito permiten a las personas pasar por allí. A partir de mañana, cualquier residente de Hartford que tenga una cita para hacerse la prueba del coronavirus puede llamar al 311 de Hartford al 860-757-9311 y la Ciudad de Hartford coordinará el transporte para llevarlos hacia y desde su sitio de prueba.

Piloto de pruebas móviles

A principios de la próxima semana, Hartford HealthCare pondrá a prueba su primer sitio de prueba móvil en asociación con la Ciudad y tiene planes de expandirse en toda la región y el estado.

Acceso ampliado a través de centros federales de salud calificados

Esta semana, Hartford HealthCare anunció que aumentará la capacidad de prueba en un 500% a 2,500 pruebas por día a través de una asociación con Quest Diagnostics, que incluye 900 o más pruebas por día en el Hospital Hartford. Las prescripciones de pruebas escritas por personal médico en los Centros de Salud Calificados Federalmente (FQHC) de Hartford se aceptarán en el sitio de pruebas del Hospital de Hartford. Debido a que los FQHC son a menudo el principal punto de atención para muchos residentes de Hartford, y se encuentran en todos los vecindarios de Hartford, esta asociación facilitará que los residentes de Hartford obtengan pruebas.

Alcance individualizado a hogares y edificios afectados por coronavirus

El Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos de la Ciudad se está asociando con estudiantes de la Facultad de Medicina de la Universidad de Connecticut en coordinación con CT AHEC para llevar a cabo actividades de divulgación en hogares con individuos que tienen casos confirmados y no confirmados de coronavirus. El objetivo de la divulgación será educar a los hogares sobre cómo minimizar la propagación del coronavirus y aislar a las personas enfermas de manera efectiva. Los estudiantes de medicina también podrán hacer un seguimiento de la salud, la seguridad y el estado de las personas en el hogar y derivarlos a servicios como 211 y 311 si hay otras necesidades insatisfechas en el hogar.

Campaña de educación pública

La Ciudad de Hartford, Trinity Health de Nueva Inglaterra, Hartford HealthCare, United Way of Central and Northeastern Connecticut, y con suerte más socios por venir, lanzarán una campaña coordinada de educación pública para continuar con el énfasis en el distanciamiento social, los tapabocas y la higiene de manos, educar a los residentes sobre cómo minimizar la propagación del coronavirus en situaciones de vivienda de varias generaciones y familias numerosas o grandes; y dar orientación sobre cuándo y cómo acceder a los servicios de salud, incluidos los servicios de salud mental, entre otros mensajes clave. La campaña bilingüe incluirá difundir estos mensajes a través de los canales de medios locales, iglesias y otros líderes de la comunidad, distribuir información a los proveedores de servicios y otras

In My Opinion

COVID 19: AFSCME Action Alert/ Howie Hawkins Policy Plan

BY DAVID SAMUELS

There are people with mental health issues such as health care workers, who still have to report to work. They're caring for COVID-19 patients while not being provided with the proper protective gear. Some people don't believe that mental illness is as real as physical illness. Oh well. I'm speaking to those who understand the seriousness of mental health issues like depression, anxiety and bi-polar disorder.

Call or text if you feel overwhelmed. 24/7/365. Call 1-800-985-5990 or text TalkWithUs to 66746 to be connected to a trained, caring counselor.

AFSCME Action Alert

Courageous essential workers are serving their communities and keeping our state running during this public health emergency, often without adequate protective equipment and jeopardizing their own health in the process. With hundreds of corrections officers, doctors, nurses, police, fire fighters, grocery store workers, public transit workers, and other essential workers already having been exposed and potentially infected with the novel coronavirus, Gov. Lamont must order a workers' compensation presumption so these critical workers can receive important healthcare and wage replacement benefits through the workers' compensation system.

By issuing an executive order, Governor Lamont could create an irrefutable presumption that the worker contracted the illness on the job. This would allow workers' compensation claims to be processed in a timely manner and prevent these essential employees from having to go through a protracted appeals process with employers and/or insurance companies who will undoubtedly challenge their claims.

Since Gov. Lamont's "Stay Home, Stay Safe" executive order (7H) and adherence to social distancing, these essential workers have no other exposure to COVID-19 except on

the job. Creating a presumption will streamline their access to vital benefits. Use the link below to write to Governor Lamont and urge him to establish a Workers' Compensation Presumption and streamline essential workers' access to vital benefits: <https://actionnetwork.org/groups/connecticut-afl-cio>

Tell Congress: Fund the Front Lines NOW

Right now, front-line public service workers – health care workers, corrections officers, custodians and other public service workers – are putting their lives at risk to fight this pandemic. But if Congress doesn't pass state and local aid, these public service workers could be thanked with a pink slip.

Tell Congress to do its part to fund the front lines and pass state and local aid for public services. Front-line public service workers are critical to fighting this pandemic and re-opening our economy. America can do neither if we lay them off.

Send a letter to your representatives and senators to demand that they fund the front lines so that we can fight the pandemic and re-open our economy. Public service workers are doing their part. Members of Congress need to do theirs.

Click here for the petition: <https://actionnetwork.org/letters/tell-congress-fund-the-front-lines-now>

Green Party presidential candidate Howie Hawkins has released his COVID-19 policy plan.

The coronavirus depression is fast becoming as deep as the Great Depression. The federal government's response has been too little, too late. We need:

- Universal Testing and Treatment paid for by Medicare
- \$2000/month for every adult, \$500 for every child through the end of the crisis
- Moratorium on Evictions, Foreclosures, and Utility Shutoffs
- Cancel Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Payments
- Business loans forgiven for those businesses that maintain payroll.
- Suspend Student Loan Payments
- Federal Universal Rent Control
- Aid to state and local governments
- Universal Mail-in Ballots for the 2020 General Election

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(20-00298)

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Carmen Y. Zayas, Clerk

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